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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

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2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1,8-11,15-19 and 21-23.
3. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
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6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

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- ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- ☐ Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date ____
- ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
- ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date ____
- ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
- ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
- ☐ Other ____

DETAILED ACTION

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1, 8-11, 15-19 and 21-23 are allowed.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Claim 1, the prior art of record does not teach nor suggest, in the claimed combination, an electromagnetic device used in a case containing oil, the device comprising; an electromagnetic device body including a coil formed with a conductor wound around a bobbin and a cover member enclosing said coil; and a cover molded around said electromagnetic device body with a molding pressure, said cover member protecting said coil from said molding pressure when said cover is molded around said cover member; wherein said bobbin is composed of a material having lubricating characteristics; wherein the conductor is coated with an outer coating and wherein said outer coating comprises; an insulating layer which is made of enamel formed over the conductors and a welding layer which is made of thermoset epoxy formed over the insulation layer.

Claim 18, the prior art of record does not teach nor suggest, in the claimed combination, an electromagnetic device used in a case containing oil, the device comprising; an electromagnetic device body including a coil formed with a conductor wound around a bobbin and a cover member enclosing said coil; and a cover molded around said electromagnetic device body with a molding pressure, wherein said cover member comprises a means for protecting said coil from being directly subjected to molding pressure when said cover is formed by injection molding, by covering said coil;

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wherein said bobbin is composed of a material having lubricating characteristics; wherein the conductor is coated with an outer coating and wherein said outer coating comprises; an insulating layer which is made of enamel formed over the conductors and a welding layer which is made of thermoset epoxy formed over the insulation layer.

Claim 19, the prior art of record does not teach nor suggest, in the claimed combination, an electromagnetic device used in a case containing oil, the device comprising; an electromagnetic device body including a coil formed with a conductor wound around a bobbin and a cover member enclosing said coil; and a cover molded around said electromagnetic device body with a molding pressure, said cover member having a material strength sufficient to protect said coil from being directly subjected to said molding pressure when said cover is molded around the cover member; wherein said bobbin is composed of a material having lubricating characteristics; wherein the conductor is coated with an outer coating and wherein said outer coating comprises; an insulating layer which is made of enamel formed over the conductors and a welding layer which is made of thermoset epoxy formed over the insulation layer.


Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."


Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Bernard Rojas whose telephone number is (571) 272-1998. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 8-4:00), every other Friday off.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Elvin G. Enad can be reached on (571) 272-1990. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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